

SURATULA`LAA (87)

The *Suratula`laa* picks up the thread of argument from the sixteenth and seventeenth verses of the preceding surah and, consolingly, enjoins the Messenger to declare his *Rabb* free from imperfections for it is He Who does what the Surah specifies, from the second verse to the fourth verse, to prove His omnipotence and providence for human beings. It will comfort him and afford him necessary peace of mind, the purpose being to prepare him to receive the weighty Word specified in the fifth verse of the *Suratulmuzzammil* and, in this surah, from the sixth verse to the eighth verse and in the *Suratulqiyaama*, from the sixteenth verse to the nineteenth verse. The revelation shall fortify him to face the mad hostility of the Makkan polytheists. Hence, the Messenger has been exhorted, in the ninth verse, to go on with his admonition regardless of consequences. The Surah, then, from the tenth verse to the fifteenth verse, shows the result of his sincere admonition. Those who accept his message shall purify themselves and prosper and those who reject it shall burn in the Hell. The sixteenth verse exposes the conduct of materialists, worldly-wise people as well as the Makkan polytheists and then, the Surah asserts, in the seventeenth verse, for their guidance, that the afterworld is the best and most lasting. Hence, the Surah, finally, asserts in the last two verses that such has been the message of all the past scriptures whether of Moses or Abraham, the Patriarch of the *Quraysh*, and the Last Messenger is only following in their Patriarch's footsteps.

SURATULA`LAA

In the name of ALLAH, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

1. You must declare, free from imperfections, the name of your *Rabb*, the Most High,
2. Who creates and then, composes (all the creation proportionately and harmoniously),
3. And Who determines (the value, worth, and nature of what He creates) and then, guides
4. And Who brings forth herbage (vegetation),
5. And then, turns it lush, dark green.
6. We will cause you to read (the *Quraan*) and hence, you shall not forget (it),
7. Except what Allah wills; indeed, He knows the manifest and what is hidden.
8. And We will facilitate you (your course of life) to ease (a state of freedom from pains, sufferings, and disquiets).
9. Hence, you must admonish (them) if admonition benefits (them).
10. Whoever fears (Allah) shall accept (your) admonition
11. And shun it, (only), the most wretched
12. Who shall go into the fiercest fire,

سُورَةُ الْأَعْلَى

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

سَبِّحْ أَسْمَ رَبِّكَ الْأَعْلَى ﴿١﴾

الَّذِي خَلَقَ سَوَى ﴿٢﴾

وَالَّذِي مَدَرَّ فَهْدَى ﴿٣﴾

وَالَّذِي أَخْرَجَ الْمَرْعَى ﴿٤﴾

فَجَعَلَهُ غُثَاءً أَحْوَى ﴿٥﴾

سَنُقْرِئُكَ فَلَا تَنْسَى ﴿٦﴾

إِلَّا مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ إِنَّهُ يَعْلَمُ الْجَهْرَ وَمَا يَخْفَى ﴿٧﴾

وَنُيَسِّرُكَ لِلْيُسْرَى ﴿٨﴾

فَذَكِّرْ إِن نَّفَعَتِ الذِّكْرَى ﴿٩﴾

سَيَذَكِّرُ مَنْ يَخْشَى ﴿١٠﴾

وَيَنْجَنِيهَا إِلَّا أَشْقَى ﴿١١﴾

الَّذِي يَصِلُ النَّارَ الْكُبْرَى ﴿١٢﴾

13. And then, he shall neither die in it nor live (in it).

ثُمَّ لَا يَمُوتُ فِيهَا وَلَا يَحْيَىٰ ﴿١٣﴾

14. Indeed, prospers he who, (consciously), cleanses (himself physically, morally, and spiritually of sins),

فَذَاقْلَحَ مِنْ تَرْكِي ﴿١٤﴾

15. And remembers his *Rabb's* name (and, as a consequence), offers the obligatory prayers.

وَذَكَرَ اسْمَ رَبِّهِ فَصَلَّىٰ ﴿١٥﴾

16. On the contrary, you prefer the life of (this) world,

بَلْ تُؤْثِرُونَ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا ﴿١٦﴾

17. Though the afterworld is the best and the most lasting.

وَالْآخِرَةُ خَيْرٌ وَأَبْقَىٰ ﴿١٧﴾

18. Indeed, such was (the message) in the scriptures (holy writings) preceding (the *Quraan*),

إِنَّ هَذَا فِي الصُّحُفِ الْأُولَىٰ ﴿١٨﴾

19. The scriptures of Abraham and Moses.

صُحُفِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَمُوسَىٰ ﴿١٩﴾